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In re Application of **Creamer, et al.**

Serial No.: **09/810,271**

Examiner: **Anwah, Olisa**

Confirmation No.: **2715**

Group: **2645**

Date Filed: **July 19, 2001**

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For:

**DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Thomas E. Creamer, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 12877 Hyland Circle, Boca Raton, FL 33428, hereby declare and state as follows:

1. I was employed by International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) in Armonk, New York at the time the above-identified application was conceived. I make this declaration in support the above-identified application.

2. IBM had invested substantial time and effort into the research, development, and marketing of their products, and in an effort to protect its rights in all new inventions, IBM requests that all employees prepare and submit confidential Invention Disclosure Forms upon conception by the inventor(s).

3. As a named co-inventor for this invention, I submitted the attached Invention Disclosure No. BOC8-2000-0053 together with my co-inventors, Victor S. Moore and Glen R. Walters.

4. I make this Declaration to establish that the other co-inventors and I conceived of the present invention at least as early as June 7, 2000, and exercised due diligence from that date to July 19, 2001, the filing date for the above-identified patent application.

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*Kevin T. Cuenot, Esquire*  
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5. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified patent application or any patent issuing thereon.

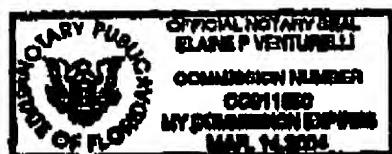
James E. Craemer  
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Date: 10/22/2003

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I, Victor S. Moore, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 4739 Pinetree Drive, Boynton Beach, FL 33436, hereby declare and state as follows:

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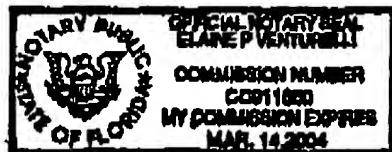
Victor S. Moore

Date: 10/28/2003

STATE OF FLORIDA )  
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH )  
ss:

The foregoing instrument was sworn to and subscribed before me this 28 day  
of October, 2003, by Victor S. Moore, who is personally known to me  
or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ (type of identification) as identification.

Elaine P. Venturelli  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA  
ELAINE P. VENTURELLI  
(Print, Type or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary  
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Sir:

I, Glen R. Walters, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 5320  
Pierce Street, Hollywood, FL 33021, hereby declare and state as follows:

1. I was employed by International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) in  
Armonk, New York at the time the above-identified application was conceived. I make  
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Glen R. Walters

**Glen R. Walters**

Date: 10/22/03

STATE OF FLORIDA )  
COUNTY OF BROWARD ) ss:  
 )

The foregoing instrument was sworn to and subscribed before me this 22 day  
of October, 2003, by GEN R. WALTERS, who is personally known to me  
or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ (type of identification) as identification.

Elaine P. Venturelli  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA  
Elaine P. Venturelli  
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**Disclosure BOC8-2000-0053**

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**Summary**

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**Inventors with Lotus Notes IDs**

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Moore, Victor S.	365784	7J/BICA	680561	Tempelmeier, Mark
Walters, Glen R.	942789	7J/FEGA	584516	Winters, S.L. (Scott)

**Inventors without Lotus Notes IDs****IDT Selection**

IDT Team:	Attorney/Patent Professional: Richard Tomlin/Boca Raton/IBM
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**Main Idea****\*Title of disclosure (in English)**

E-mail client with "Set-up a Voice/Phone Conference" feature

**\*Idea of disclosure**

1. Describe your invention, stating the problem solved (if appropriate), and indicating the advantages of using the invention.  
 This allows a person to embed a symbol or icon into an e-mail message. When the e-mail is received from the e-mail sender, the e-mail recipient can choose to click on the symbol or icon and a voice/phone conference is initiated between the e-mails sender, receiver and others identified in the voice conference list. Whether the call is PSTN or Voice over IP (VoIP) based is determined by voice conference participant preference.

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2. How does the invention solve the problem or achieve an advantage, (a description of "the invention", including figures inline as appropriate)?  
 This invention allows e-mail to link with network features which support voice conference processing. The e-mail sender, receiver and others in the voice conference do not have to understand how to set-up the voice conference.

3. If the same advantage or problem has been identified by others (inside/outside IBM), how have those others solved it and does your solution differ and why is it better?  
 No.

4. If the invention is implemented in a product or prototype, include technical details, purpose, disclosure details to others and the date of that implementation.  
 Not at this time.

**\*Critical Questions ( Questions 1 - 7 must be answered)**

**Question 1**

On what date was the invention workable? 06/07/2000 Please format the date as MM/DD/YYYY  
 (Workable means i.e. when you know that your design will solve the problem)

**Question 2**

Is there any planned or actual publication or disclosure of your invention to anyone outside IBM?

Yes  
 No

If yes, Enter the name of each publication or patent and the date published below.

Publication/Patent:

Date Published or Issued:

Are you aware of any publications, products or patents that relate to this invention?

Yes  
 No

If yes, Enter the name of each publication or patent and the date published below.

Publication/Patent:

Date Published or Issued:

**Question 3**

Has the subject matter of the invention or a product incorporating the invention been sold, used internally in manufacturing, announced for sale, or included in a proposal?

Yes  
 No

Is a sale, use in manufacturing, product announcement, or proposal planned?

Yes  
 No

If Yes, identify the product if known and indicate the date or planned date of sale, announcements, or proposal and to whom the sale, announcement or proposal has been or will be made.

Product:

Version/Release:

Code Name:

Date:

To Whom:

If more than one, use cut and paste and append as necessary in the field provided.

**Question 4**

Was the subject matter of your invention or a product incorporating your invention used in public e.g., outside IBM or in the presence of non-IBMers?

Yes  
 No

If yes, give a date. Please format the date as MM/DD/YYYY

**Question 5**

Have you ever discussed your invention with others not employed at IBM?

Yes  
 No

If yes, identify individuals and date discussed. Fill in the text area with the following information, the names of the individuals, the employer, date discussed, under CDA, and CDA #.

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**Question 6**

Was the invention, in any way, started or developed under a government contract or project?

Yes  
 No  
 Not sure

If Yes, enter the contract number

**Question 7**

Was the invention made in the course of any alliance, joint development or other contract activities?

Yes  
 No  
 Not Sure

If Yes, enter the following :Name of Alliance, Contractor or Joint Developer

Contract ID number

Relationship contact name

Relationship contact E-mail

Relationship contact phone

**Question 8**

Have you submitted, or are you aware of, any related disclosure submission?

Yes  
 No

If Yes, please provide the title and docket or disclosure number below:

**Question 9**

What type of companies do you expect to compete with inventions of this type? Check all that apply.

Manufacturers of enterprise servers  
 Manufacturers of entry servers  
 Manufacturers of workstations  
 Manufacturers of PC's  
 Non-computer manufacturers  
 Developers of operating systems  
 Developers of networking software  
 Developers of application software  
 Integrated solution providers  
 Service providers  
 Other (Please specify below)

**Patent Value Tool (Optional - this may be used by the inventor and attorney to assist with the evaluation of your invention.)**

(The Patent Value tool can be used by you or the evaluation team to determine the potential licensing value of your invention.)

These are the answers which were entered into the Patent Value Tool.

**Market**What is the anticipated annual market size (in dollars) that will be captured by your invention?  
\$10M to \$100M

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**Question 1 - How new is the technical field?**

Emerging

**Question 2 - How central is the invention to the product(s) which might be expected to contain the invention?**

Essential

**Question 3 - What is the scope of the claim?**

Broad

**PORTFOLIO NEED**

What are the portfolio needs in the area of your invention?

Listed in PPM Needs

**EXPLOITATION & ENFORCEMENT**

**Question 1 - How easily can the use of the invention by a competitor be detected?**

Trivially

**Question 2 - How easily can the use of the invention be avoided by a competitor?**

With much work

**BUSINESS VALUE**

**Question 1 - What percentage of the companies producing products in the field of this invention might use this invention?**

Broadly cloned

**Question 2 - What is the value of this patent to current or anticipated Alliance Activity between IBM and other companies?**

High value

**Question 3 - What is the value of this patent to current or anticipated Technology Transfer Activity between IBM and other companies?**

High value

**Question 4 - Does it result in prestige to IBM?**

Industry wide

**Post Disclosure Text & Drawings**

Enter any additional information relating to this disclosure below:

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